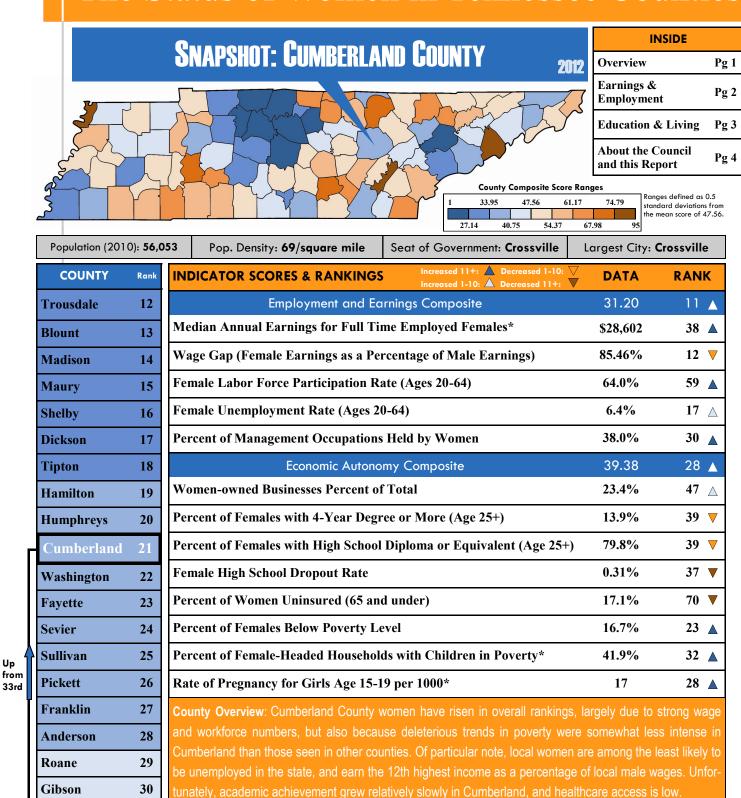
The Status of Women in Tennessee Counties



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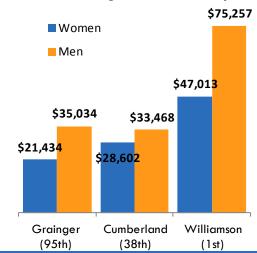
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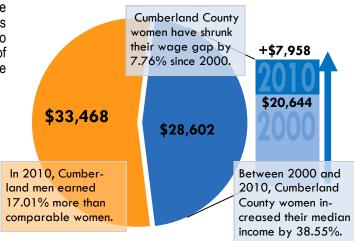
▲ Earnings

Cumberland County women improved their median income by 38.55 percent between 2000 and 2010, earning the 38th ranked wages in Tennessee (up from 61st) in 2010, and outpacing inflation rates during that period by 12 percent. However, they also continued to make less that the statewide median of \$31,585, comparing more closely to counties in the lower half of earnings.

Median Earnings: Counties Compared



Median Earnings and the Wage Gap, 2000-2010



With an increase of \$7,958 in their earnings between 2000 and 2010, Cumberland women closed their wage gap by 7.76 percent and maintained a high rank statewide, despite slipping one place to 12th. Their increase in median income was 12.5 percent larger than the rise in male wages between 2000 and 2010, and at 75th statewide, Cumberland men ranked significantly lower than local women do relative to their own peers across the state.

▲ Employment

Workforce Access for Women By County and Year Pickett (2010) 32.3% 3.3% 64.4% (lowest unemployment) Moore (2010) 72.5% (highest participation) Cumberland .0% 33.7% 61.3% (2000)Cumberland 57.6% (2010)Tennessee 35.7% 58.1% (2000)Tennessee 61.9% (2010)Hancock (2010) 42.4% (lowest participation) Decatur (2010) 16.4% 48.0% (highest unemployment) 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% Unemployed Women in Workforce ■ Employed Women in Workforce

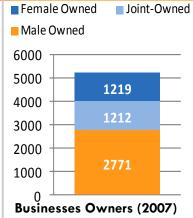
■ Women Not Seeking Employment

Estimates indicate that 64 percent of Cumberland County women participated in the workforce in 2010, trailing statewide the figure of 69.8 percent. However, despite lower overall numbers in recent data, the county's growth in this indicator outpaced state estimates since 2000, and Cumberland County women compared favorably with many of their peers, rising in relative rankings, from 78th to 59th. As of 2010, Cumberland County men were 10.3 percent more likely to participate in the workforce than local women.

Women in the county were unemployed at a rate of 6.4 percent in 2010, which was the 17th lowest in the state. This was an improvement from 23rd in 2000, though this population did increase from five percent over the ten year period.

Women with children under six were 100% slightly more likely to be jobless, at a rate of 7.9 percent, while nine percent of local men were estimated to be searching for work.

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rial presence and business ownership between 2000 and 2010. Countywide, twelve percent more managers were female in 2010, rising dramatically to 30th from 59th, and women controlled a 2.6 percent larger share of the businesses in the county as of 2007. At a total of 23.4 percent ownership, women gained four places in this category—reaching 47th—but measured below statewide estimates by 2.5 percent.

Women now own a share in 46.7 percent of all firms in the county and those firms employ nearly 10 percent of all workers.

Women At Work

Business Management

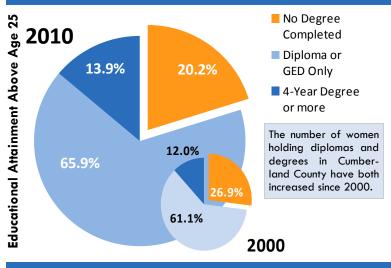
The incidence of women managers in Cumberland County increased from 26% to 38% between 2000 and 2010.

Business Ownership

The percentage of women business owners in Cumberland also increased from 20.8% to 23.4% between 2000 and 2007.



▼ Education



Cumberland County improved in all three academic indicators between 2000 and 2010, but fell behind in state rankings for each.

The percentage of women holding four year degrees, for example, increased by 1.9 percent, but decreased in rank from 30th to 39th.

Similarly, 6.7 percent more women hold diplomas as of 2010, but the county dropped nine ranks to 39th.

Lastly, dropout rates were lower during the 2011-12 school year—a rate of 0.31 percent—and compared favorably to the state rate of 0.61 percent, but dropped 15 ranks to 39th.

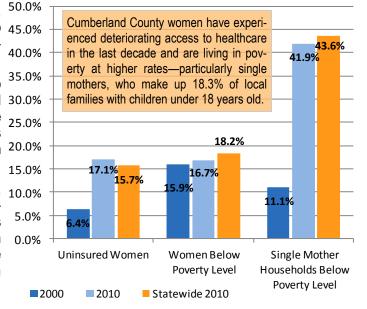
▲ Living

Between 2000 and 2010, women in Cumberland County saw a decrease in health care access as well as an increase in poverty. Regarding health insurance, women in the county were nearly three times as likely to 45.0% go without in 2010 and the county dropped in this indicator's ranking from 26th to 70th.

Poverty increased as well, though, when compared to the experiences of women across the state, Cumberland performed moderately in these categories—women were ranked 23rd overall and the subgroup of single mothers ranked 32nd—both improving from 2000 rankings of 75th and 45th, respectively.

Despite a relatively better experience than their peers, Cumberland County's single mothers have seen a dramatic increase in poverty rates. Recent data indicates that these women are nearly four times as likely to live in poverty in 2010 as they were in 2000, and were more than twice as likely to do so as the average woman in Tennessee or Cumberland County.

Health and Poverty Indicators for Women: Cumberland County, 2000-2010



About the Council and this Report

The Status of Women in Tennessee Counties report offers an economic profile of women in each county of Tennessee and examines how women's rights and equality vary among the counties. The report presents data and overall rankings in two categories of women's economic status: employment and earnings and economic autonomy. Indicators of women's status in each category make up the composite rankings of the counties.

The employment and earnings section presents data on women's annual earnings, the earnings gender gap, female labor force participation rate, the female unemployment rate, and the percent of management occupations held by women.

The economic autonomy section includes information on the percentage of businesses owned by women, educational attainment levels, percentage of women with any kind of health insurance, percentage of women living in poverty and percentage of single female-headed households living in poverty, the female high school dropout rate and the teen pregnancy rate.

The **Tennessee Economic Council on Women** was created in 1998 by the Tennessee General Assembly to assess Tennessee women's economic status. The Council develops and advocates solutions to address women's needs in order to help women achieve economic autonomy. In setting its priorities, the Council selects issues that are timely and likely to result in positive changes for women.

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Wage Gap (Female Earnings as Percent of Male Earnings)	U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 'Selected Economic Characteristics'
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Percent of Management Occupations Held by Women	U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 'Occupation by Sex and Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months for Full-Time, Year-Round Civilian Employed Population, 16 year and older'
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